

Holy Myrrhbearers Orthodox Mission

Worshipping at the Chapel of Church of the Resurrection –
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Divine Liturgy – Sundays at 1:00 pm
Confession – Before Divine Liturgy, or by appointment

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Announcements: We welcome those who are visiting with us. Please join us following Divine Liturgy for an afternoon snack and to get to know one another. If you have any questions, please ask Fr. Maximus, or any of the other Church members. We hope – and pray – that you will come back to our Church again soon and that your experience with us was spiritually rewarding. God Bless!

As discussed last week, please email Father your projected monthly stewardship amount. Thank you.

Important: Today is the *Feast of Holy Myrrhbearers*, in remembrance of our Patron Saints. Thank you all for making this a wonderful mission! I pray our mission has many, many, more years! Axios!



We are collecting clothes for those in need! If you have any gently used, or new, items you would like to donate, **please contact Michael** at michaelmarius@live.com.

***Christ Has Risen! Indeed He has Risen! Khristos voskrese! Voistinu voskrese!
Christos anesti! Alithos anesti!***

Today's Epistle Reading: *Acts of the Apostles 6:1-7*

IN THOSE DAYS, when the disciples were increasing in number, the Hellenists murmured against the Hebrews because their widows were neglected in the daily distribution. And the twelve summoned the body of the disciples and said, "it is not right that we should give up preaching the word of God to serve tables. Therefore, brethren, pick out from among you seven men of good repute, full of the Spirit and of wisdom, whom we may appoint to this duty. But we will devote ourselves to prayer and to the ministry of the word." And what they said pleased the whole multitude, and they chose Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Spirit, and Philip, and Prochoros, and Nicanor, and Timon, and Parmenas, and Nicolaos, a proselyte of Antioch. These they set before the apostles, and they prayed and laid their hands upon them. And the word

of God increased; and the number of the disciples multiplied greatly in Jerusalem, and a great many of the priests were obedient to the faith.

Today's Gospel Reading: *Mark 15:43-47; 16:1-8*

At that time, Joseph of Arimathea, a respected member of the council, who was also himself looking for the kingdom of God, took courage and went to Pilate, and asked for the body of Jesus. And Pilate wondered if he were already dead; and summoning the centurion, he asked him whether he was already dead. And when he learned from the centurion that he was dead, he granted the body to Joseph. And he bought a linen shroud, and taking him down, wrapped him in the linen shroud, and laid him in a tomb which had been hewn out of the rock; and he rolled a stone against the door of the tomb. Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of Jesus saw where he was laid.

And when the sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome, bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him. And very early on the first day of the week they went to the tomb when the sun had risen. And they were saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the door of the tomb?" And looking up, they saw that the stone was rolled back; for it was very large. And entering the tomb, they saw a young man sitting on the right side, dressed in a white robe; and they were amazed. And he said to them, "Do not be amazed; you seek Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has risen, he is not here; see the place where they laid him. But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going before you to Galilee; there you will see him, as he told you." And they went out and fled from the tomb; for trembling and astonishment had come upon them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

Today's Saints and Feasts: **Holy Myrrhbearers Sunday;** Holy Father John the Righteous, disciple of St. Gregory of Decapolis; Euthemios the Enlightener of Karelia; Cosmas, Bishop of Calcydon; John the New Martyr of Epiros

Parish Prayer List

For Health and God's Provision:

Metropolitan NICHOLAS

Fr. Dcn. Michael

Mr. Michael-Marios

Fr. Michael Kleban

Deacon Richard Howrilka

David Freyer and Family

Kevin Hoffman, USMC (WIA)

For the Repose of the Soul:

Fr. Michael Conrad (+23 Sep 09)

Patriarch Pavel of Serbia (+15 Nov 09)

Ms. Terry Steal (+31 Dec 09)

Mr. Liam Murray (+01 Jan 10)

Ms. Ia (Edith) Glogg (+17 Feb 10)

PLEASE NOTE: Holy Communion is reserved for Orthodox Christians who prepare by Prayer, Fasting, and Confession. However, non-Orthodox visitors are WELCOME to come forward to venerate the cross and receive the Antidoron (blessed bread) at the conclusion of the service. God Bless!

So let each one give as he purposes in his heart, not grudgingly or of necessity; for God loves a cheerful giver." II Corinthians 9:7

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